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APPENDIX I.

[Vide answer to question No. 92 asked by Mr. A. B. Shetty at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 8th August 1929, page 246 supra.]

Statement showing (a) whether the number of motor accidents has decreased in 1928 as compared with that in 1927 and if so, in what proportion, (b) what steps have been taken to control and regulate the speed of buses run by motor service companies in different districts of this Presidency, and (c) whether any further restrictions have been imposed on the granting of driving licences and if so, what they are.

Districts.	Number of motor accidents.		Steps to control and regulate the speed of buses.	Further restrictions, if any, on the granting of driving licences.
	1927.	1928.		
(1)	(2)		(3)	(4)
1. Ganjam ..	9	15	The permissible speed is entered in 'G' permits. Drivers are prosecuted for rash or negligent driving if excessive speed results in an accident.	Nil.
2. Vizagapatam.	5	5	....	Nil.
3. Godavari, East.	8	11	Traffic beats check the speed of buses and prosecutions are launched when speed limit has been exceeded.	Nil.
4. Godavari, West	3	1	No special steps are being taken to control the speed of buses.	Nil.
5 Kistna ..	13	26	A condition is inserted in the 'G' permit that the speed should not exceed 3 miles over bridges, 5 miles in towns and villages and 12 miles elsewhere.	No driver is permitted to drive a bus unless he has held a permanent car driver's licence for two years. No permanent licence to drive a car is given without six months probation on temporary permit.
6. Guntur ..	1	15	Speed is prescribed in the 'G' permits and the District Board licences.	Nil.
7. Nellore ..	2	7	The municipal speed regulation of 15 miles an hour is being enforced.	Temporary suspension and cancellation of licences and permits are ordered whenever driver's negligence is noticed.
8. Cuddapah ..	7	10	No special steps are taken as the traffic is very small.	Nil.
9. Anantapur ..	3	6	The maximum speed is restricted in the 'G' permit to 20 miles per hour outside villages and 10 miles within villages.	Nil.
10. Bellary ..	9	14	The speed of motor buses is prescribed at 12 miles per hour.	Nil.

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Districts. (1)	Number of motor accidents. 1927. (2)	1928.	Steps to control and regulate the speed of buses. (3)	Further restrictions, if any on the granting of driving licences. (4)
11. Kurnool ..	10	2	A sub-inspector of police is on special duty under the District Board to control motor traffic.	Drivers must have three years services before they are authorized to drive buses.
12. Madras ..	434	269	Improvements in the methods of checking the speed of motor vehicles in the streets were introduced in 1928.	Very strict examination and road tests for applicants for driving are being insisted upon.
13. Chingleput ..	16	30	Buses are licensed to run at 15 miles an hour on open roads and at 10 miles an hour in towns and villages. Travelling at excessive speed is checked by traffic constables who are posted at important centres.	The possession of a driving licence for three years and a good record are insisted upon as conditions precedent to the driving of buses.
14. North Arcot ..	36	42	New traffic posts have been opened and police constables are being deputed to check the overspeeding of buses and their work is being supervised by sub-inspectors and inspectors.	Knowledge of driving and traffic signals, and steadiness and presence of mind while driving, are insisted upon. Only men with some experience are allowed to drive vehicles plying for hire.
15. South Arcot ..	8	7	The restrictions as regards speed limit, 5 miles on certain roads and 10 miles elsewhere within municipal limits, are noted in the 'G' permits. The Police control the motor traffic throughout the district.	Nil.
16. Tanjore ..	16	41	Police traps are established at different places and times. Buses which exceed the speed limit laid down in the 'G' permit are charged.	Nil.
17. Trichinopoly ..	17	25	Police men on traffic duty are checking the speed of buses which is limited to 10 miles within municipal areas and 12 miles outside municipal areas.	Nil.
18. Madura ..	32	34	The speed of buses has been limited to 15 miles in the country, 12 miles in towns and 10 miles on Kodaikanal ghat roads.	Possession of an ordinary motor driving licence for at least a year is insisted upon for granting competency certificate for driving buses. Such certificates are also not granted within six months of a conviction for an offence under the Motor Vehicles Act.

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Districts.	Number of m tor acoidents.		Steps to control and regulate the speed of buses	Further restrictions, if any, on the granting of driving licences.
	1927.	1928.		
(1)	(2)		(3)	(4)
19. Ramnad ..	27	45	Timetables have been drawn up for the regular and systematic running of motor buses. Frequent and surprise checks are made en route of buses by the Police.	Nil.
20. Tinnevelly ..	30	28	Speed limits are enforced in towns and timings of buses are regulated to prevent congestion and undue competition.	Nil
21. Coimbatore ..	23	56	Speed limit is fixed in 'G' permits at 10 miles through towns and villages and over culverts and bridges and 15 miles in other places. Buses plying on the same route are only allowed to depart at 15 minutes interval, and is checked by traffic control constables.	Nil.
22. Nilgiris, The.	(Figures not available.)		Speed limit is fixed at 12 miles. Constant checks and speed traps are made by the Police.	Nil.
23. Salem ..	(Information not available.)		The speed is limited by the District Magistrate to 6 miles in crowded places, 4 miles over bridges and 18 miles over other areas and is enforced by the Police.	Nil.
24. South Kanara.	13	29	Speed limit is fixed by the District Magistrate in the 'G' permit and the timings are fixed by the District Superintendent of Police.	Nil.
25. Malabar ..	(Information not available.)		Speed limits are noted in the 'G' permits.	Nil.
26. Mettur ..	0	2	Constables are posted to check and regulate the speed of buses and to charge offenders.	Nil
27. Chittoor ..	0	4	The speed limit allowed in the 'G' permits for buses plying for hire is 20 miles on main roads and 12 miles while passing through towns and villages.	Nil.